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HORMONE

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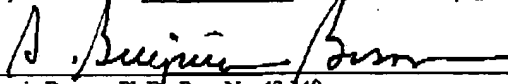
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| <u>X</u> | A Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 to the Office Action dated <u>July 5, 2006</u> . |
| <u>X</u> | A Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136.                     |
| <u>X</u> | Applicant(s) qualify for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.             |

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